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AFTER FINAL RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed October 8, 2003, Applicant submits the following amendment and remarks.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully traverses and requests reconsideration.

New grounds of rejection have been presented. Claims 1-11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over May apparently in view of official notice. However, the office action does not specifically state that official notice is being taken. The office action states that it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art of data processing, at the time of present invention "to modify May's system, wherein the database system provided therein (see May's Fig. 12) would incorporate the use wherein the matrix includes row headings and column headings. One having ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to utilize such a database system of May would allow a user to easily identify and configure their own data